Recommendation of Business advisory Committee

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I have to inform Members that the Business Advisory Committee, in its meeting held on Wednesday, the 17th August, 2005, has allotted time for the Government Legislative and other Business, as follows:

BUSINESS	TIME ALLOTTED
1. Consideration and passing of the following Bills after they have been passed by Lok Sabha:—	
a. The National Rural Employment Guarantee Bill, 2004.	4 Hours
b. The High Court and Supreme Court Judges (Salaries and Conditions of Service) Amendment Bill, 2005.	2 Hours
c. The Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Bill, 2005.	3 Hours

The Committee on re-consideration recommended One Hour instead of Two Hours to the Consideration and adoption of the recommendations of the Railway Convention Committee (2004) contained in their Second Report on rate of dividend for 2005-06 and other ancillary matters and Two Hours instead of Three Hours to the consideration and passing of the Railways (Amendment) Bill, 2004.

The Committee also recommended that the sitting of Rajya Sabha fixed for Friday, the 26th August, 2005, be cancelled and the Private Members' Legislative Business scheduled for that day be taken up on Thursday, the 25th August, 2005.

[MR. CHAIRMAN In the Chair]

Statement regarding Government Business

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): Sir, I beg to announce that the Government Business in this

House for the week commencing 22nd August, 2005 will consist of:—

1. Consideration and passing of the Railways (Amendment) Bill, 2004,
2. Consideration and adoption of the recommendations of the Railways Convention Committee (2004) contained in their Second Report on 'Rate of dividend for 2005-06 and other ancillary matters',
3. Consideration and passing of the Warehousing Corporations (Amendment) Bill, 2005,
4. Consideration and passing of the National Rural Employment Guarantee Bill, 2004, after it has been passed by Lok Sabha,
5. Consideration and passing of the Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Bill, 2005, after it has been passed by Lok Sabha,
6. Consideration and passing of the High Court and Supreme Court Judges (Salaries and Conditions of Service) Amendment Bill, 2005, after it has been passed by Lok Sabha.

श्रीमती सरला माहेश्वरी: सभापति महोदय, महिला आरक्षण पर क्या हुआ? ...व्यवधान...

श्री सभापति: आप सभी बैठिए।

Farewell to the retiring members

MR. CHAIRMAN: Hon. Members, on completion of their term of office, some of our colleagues are retiring today, the 18th of August. I am happy that three of the retiring Members, namely, Shri Ahmed Patel, Shri Abani Roy and Shri Chittabrata Majumdar, have already been re-elected. On behalf of the whole House and on my own behalf, I bid farewell to the retiring members, namely, Shri Lalitbhai Mehta, Shrimati Savita Sharda, Shrimati Chandra Kala Pandey, Shri Jibon Roy, Shrimati Sarla Maheśhwari, Shri Shankar Roy Chowdhury and Shri Eduardo Faleiro who retired on 28th July.

Hon. Members, the House will surely miss these distinguished Members. As Presiding Officer, I shall certainly miss their active participation and the liveliness of the speeches they made in this House. I would like to